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TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING AN AIR CONTENT, AIR RELEASE ABILITY AND FOR FOAM FORMING ON OIL SURFACES

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 29-42 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art does not disclose nor otherwise render obvious a method and apparatus to determine density and air content of oil comprising an air-oil mixer, a Venturi pipe, whereby the oil sample is delivered at a known flow rate and whereby the density of the oil can be determined based upon said know flow rate, and wherein air content is determined, in combination with all other limitations of the independent claims.

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Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The examiner has cited various references deemed relevant to the general state of the art of the present invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RODNEY T. FRANK whose telephone number is (571)272-2193. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-5:30 p.m. EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hezron E. Williams can be reached on (571) 272-2208. The fax phone

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number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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